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Applicant : Russell L. Kress

For : PREFABRICATED STAIRWAY AND METHOD

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

A Response To Office Action is enclosed.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a), please extend the shortened period for response by three (3) months. The extension fee is:

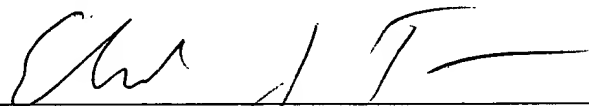
[] \$ 980.00 (37 CFR 1.17a3)

[X] \$ 490.00 (37 CFR 1.17a3; this application is entitled to small entity status)

A check for \$490.00 is enclosed for the time extension fee paid on a small entity basis. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional extension or other fee that may be necessary to deposit account No. 20-1124.

Respectfully submitted,

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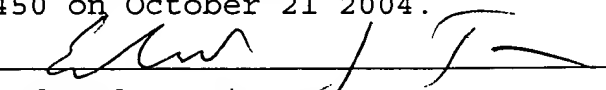

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